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THEREFOR
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Please find enclosed in connection with the subject U.S. patent application the following documents:

1. Information Disclosure Statement (2 pages);
2. Form PTO-1449 (2 pages) in duplicate;
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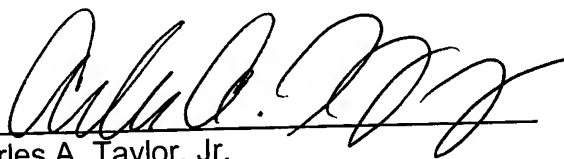
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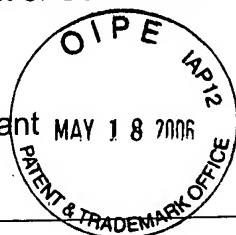

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